



CITY OF SANTA BARBARA CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

SPECIAL MEETING February 29, 2008 ADMINISTRATION CENTER BOARD ROOM 720 SANTA BARBARA STREET

JOINT CITY COUNCIL AND SANTA BARBARA BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING (150.05)

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

President Laura Malakoff called the joint meeting of the Council and the Santa Barbara Board of Education to order at 1:36 p.m.

Councilmembers present: Iya G. Falcone, Dale Francisco, Grant House, Helene Schneider, Das Williams, Mayor Marty Blum.

Councilmembers absent: Roger L. Horton.

Staff present: City Administrator James L. Armstrong, City Attorney Stephen P. Wiley, Deputy City Clerk Brenda Alcazar.

Board Members present: Annette Cordero, Nancy Harter, Dr. Robert Noel, Vice-President Kate Parker, President Malakoff.

Staff present: Superintendent J. Brian Sarvis.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

President Malakoff.

3. Spanish Translation/Headsets for Hearing Impaired

Esperanza Villegas stated she was available for Spanish translation.

President Malakoff stated headsets are available for hearing impaired upon request.

4. Public Comments

Speakers: Lynn Rodriguez, Diane Stevens, Carlos Zuniga, Mariela Marin, David Selberg, Paul Straede, Lucero Marquez.

5. Statement of Purpose for Joint Meeting

Mayor Blum stated that the purpose of the joint meeting is to share, collaborate and discuss or review issues and/or projects that both the City and the School Districts are working on.

Agenda Item Nos. 6 - 11

Documents:

February 29, 2008, joint report from the City Administrator and School Districts Superintendent.

Speakers:

Santa Barbara School Districts: Superintendent J. Brian Sarvis who stated that presentations will not be made for Agenda Item Nos. 6 -11, however, staff is available to answer any questions related to these items.

6. Update on Joint City/School Districts Programs and Agreements

Documents:

February 29, 2008, written report prepared by Sarah Hanna, City of Santa Barbara Recreation Programs Manager, and David Hetynok, School Districts Director of Facilities and Operations, on behalf of the Joint Use Committee.

Speakers:

City of Santa Barbara: Recreation Programs Manager Sarah Hanna.

Discussion:

Board Member Cordero requested staff to provide information regarding the level of participation by gender in the A-OK and RAP programs.

7. Progress Report in Preparation for the City to Vacate Street Easements on Santa Barbara School Campuses

Documents:

February 29, 2008, written report prepared by City of Santa Barbara Public Works Department staff.

8. Report on School Districts and City Collaboration on Environmental and Sustainability Programs

Documents:

February 29, 2008, written reports prepared by Santa Barbara School Districts and City of Santa Barbara staff.

Speakers:

Santa Barbara School Districts: Director of Facilities and Operations David Hetynk.

Discussion:

Councilmember Schneider acknowledged the work being done on the recycling project and requested that a more detailed report be presented at a future meeting. Director of Facilities and Operations David Hetynk reported that distribution of the combination recycling/trash containers furnished by the City is almost complete. He also stated that the Integrated Pest Management Advisory Committee data listed in the report will be updated. Board Member Parker requested a future report on what the City is doing in relationship to properties that are next to the schools. Councilmember House commented on Assembly Bill No. 32, which deals with climate change, and suggested that this be an item for future collaboration as it pertains to sustainability.

9. Report on Status of City Projects

Documents:

February 29, 2008, written report prepared by City of Santa Barbara Public Works Department staff.

Speakers:

City of Santa Barbara: Acting Public Works Director Paul Casey.

Discussion:

Staff responded to questions regarding the Jake Boysel Multipurpose Pathway, the traffic calming project and AB 321.

10. Report on Status of School Districts Projects

Documents:

February 29, 2008, written reports prepared by Santa Barbara School Districts staff.

11. Report on the Status of Efforts to Acquire the National Guard Armory and the Fremont Hall Army Reserve Center

Documents:

February 29, 2008, written reports prepared by Bob Patterson, PARC Foundation Board member and Co-Chair of The Armory Project Steering Committee, and Don Olson, City of Santa Barbara Special Projects Manager.

12. Report on the Status of the School Board's Direction with Respect to the Hidden Valley Property

Documents:

- February 29, 2008, written report prepared by Santa Barbara School Districts staff.
- February 29, 2008, PowerPoint presentation prepared and made by staff.

Speakers:

Santa Barbara School Districts: Superintendent J. Brian Sarvis, Director of Facilities and Operations David Hetynk.

Discussion:

Santa Barbara School Districts staff presented a report on the Board's direction regarding the Hidden Valley property and responded to questions from Council and Board Members. Board President Malakoff stated that the Board will need to discuss this matter further.

13. Presentation on the Districts' Fiscal Matters

Documents:

"Impact of the Governor's Proposed 2008-09 Budget on our Districts," submitted by Santa Barbara School Districts staff.

Speakers:

Santa Barbara School Districts: Superintendent J. Brian Sarvis.

Discussion:

Staff made a presentation regarding the School Districts' current budget, including efforts made to address future budget reductions and to increase revenues. Staff responded to questions from the Council and Board Members.

14. Presentation on the School Districts and City Collaboration in Response to Youth Violence

Documents:

- February 29, 2008, PowerPoint presentation prepared and made by Santa Barbara School Districts staff.
- February 29, 2008, PowerPoint presentation prepared and made by City of Santa Barbara staff.

Speakers:

- Santa Barbara School Districts: Superintendent J. Brian Sarvis, Assistant Superintendent for Secondary Education Paul Turnbull.
- City of Santa Barbara: City Administrator James L. Armstrong, Police Chief Camerino Sanchez, Parks and Recreation Director Nancy Rapp.
- Member of the Public: Lucero Marquez, SER Jobs for Progress.

Discussion:

Staff from the Santa Barbara School Districts and the City made presentations on the on-going efforts to prevent youth violence and next steps, including collaboration between the City and the School Districts to focus on programs for kids involved in gangs. Staff responded to questions from the Council and Board Members.

15. Additional Matters for Placement on a Future Agenda

Discussion:

In addition to the items mentioned during the discussion of Agenda Item No. 8, the following issues were requested for placement on a future agenda:

- Update on Item No. 14
- Book Mobile Program
- Library Services

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Blum adjourned the meeting at 4:52 p.m.

SANTA BARBARA CITY COUNCIL

CYNTHIA M. RODRIGUEZ, CMC
CITY CLERK SERVICES MANAGER

MARTY BLUM
MAYOR

ATTEST: _____
BRENDA ALCAZAR, CMC
DEPUTY CITY CLERK